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so desire, if they want one there, if the Legislature would decide that is where one should be. We have still reserved that right in this amendment that the Legislature has control over where they are at. You have to...you're going to have to persuade 25 members, and the way it looks right now when we are on this, this is a pretty hard thing to do, that your location or your idea is suitable. And for every proponent, there is going to be an opponent of why that should not be. And that's where it should be is right here in this body. We're the ones, we're the ones that are going to have to decide where these establishments are going to be. And let's get reasonable. Gold Coast or Harvey's or Venetian going to build a \$50 million casino in Ainsworth or Crawford? No, they are not going to do that. They are not going to invest that much money because their rate of return would not be enough. You need a population base, but that doesn't mean that that part of the state does not adequate smaller establishment because those constituents of Senator Louden's should be served just as well as my constituents in the eastern part of the state. should have the opportunity, and at that time, Senator Louden can get up and argue the fact that, yes, this is why we need a facility in my district. And if he can convince 25 people to think the same way, there will be one of the eight there. This does not automatically lock all the racetracks in, but it's a very logical presumption to take that these are facilities that could be up and running in a short period of time. I look at Fonner Park, Senator McDonald, Senator Johnson. I mean your constituents will probably say, those that favor this, will say why can't we have something there? We've got the facility, and Fonner Park is a great facility. Senator Aguilar champions that every chance he can get. It's a fine place. And if horse racing which, to me, can be one of the most addictive forms in gaming there is, it's all right that we have horse racing in this state. I don't know of anybody that wants to get rid of that. People become addicted to horse racing.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR JANSSEN: They can become addicted to betting on a cockroach race. If we don't provide the people of this state adequate chances of gaming, they are going to go elsewhere,